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## MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re:

Application of Atsushi SAKAI, Ryuji MONDEN, Toru SAWAGUCHI,

Katsuhiko YAMAZAKI, Yuji FURUTA, and Hideki OHATA

SOLID ELECTROLYTIC CAPACITOR AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING

THE SAME

Assignee: SHOWA DENKO K.K.

Our Ref: Q78611

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 10/303,728 (Confirmation No.4288) filed November 26, 2002 of Atsushi SAKAI, Ryuji MONDEN, Toru SAWAGUCHI, Katsuhiko YAMAZAKI, Yuji FURUTA, and Hideki OHATA entitled SOLID ELECTROLYTIC CAPACITOR AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME, which is a divisional of Application No. 09/576,264 filed May 24, 2000, which claims benefit of Provisional Application No. 60/135,845 filed May 24, 1999, Provisional Application No. 60/157,074 filed October 1, 1999, and Provisional Application No. 60/182,191 filed February 14, 2000.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, 1 sheet(s) of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, and a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1775.

Priority is claimed from:

Country	Application No	Filing Date	
United States	60/135,845	May 24, 1999	
Japan	11-252371	September 7, 1999	
United States	61/157,074	October 1, 1999	
Japan	11-370296	December 27, 1999	
United States	60/182,191	February 14, 2000	





The priority document(s) were filed in parent Application No. 09/576,264.

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>19</u> - 20	=	_ x	\$18.00 =	\$0.00
Independent claims	2 - 3	=	_ x	\$86.00 =	\$.00
Base Fee					\$770.00
Multiple Dependent Claim Fee					\$290.00

## TOTAL FILING FEE

\$1060.00

A check for the statutory fee of \$1060.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted, SUGHRUE MION, PLLC Attorneys for Applicant

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